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**In re application of:** Gladwin *et al.*

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**For:** USE OF NITRITE SALTS FOR THE  
TREATMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR  
CONDITIONS

**Examiner:** Ernst V. Arnold

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**APPLICANTS' STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Applicants thank Examiner Arnold for the courtesy of a telephonic interview on June 16, 2009. Speaking on behalf of the Applicants was their undersigned representative. This document is provided in accordance with the requirements of MPEP Section 713.04.

During the interview, Applicants' representative explained the claimed invention and distinctions between it and the cited references. As stated in the Examiner's Interview Summary (dated June 18, 2009), it is Applicants' position that at the time of the invention, it was not known that non-acidified nitrite could act as a vasodilator in the presence of blood (heme).

Applicants look forward to hearing further from the Examiner, and expressly request a telephone interview prior to the issuance of a next action.

Respectfully submitted,

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